

COUNTY OF LOUDOUN

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT

MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 30, 2012

TO: Lauren Murphy, Project Manager, Community Planning

FROM: Brian Fish, Planner, Zoning

THROUGH: Mark Stultz, Assistant Zoning Administrator

CASE NUMBER AND NAME: CAPP-2012-0001, Waterford Foundation

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Staff has reviewed the referral materials for proposed interpretive signage to be located in the Waterford Historic District, to be heard at the February 13, 2012 meeting of the Historic District Review Committee. The property is zoned AR-1 (Agricultural Rural - 1) under the Revised 1993 Loudoun County Zoning Ordinance (“Ordinance”), and contains 144.0 acres. Portions of the property are also within the Floodplain Overlay District (FOD), and are subject to the requirements of Section 4-1500 of the Ordinance. The subject property has common boundaries with 18 other properties, eight of which are within the CR-2 (Countryside Residential – 2) District and ten of which are within the AR-1 District.

Section 5-200(A)(10) of the Ordinance states that a sign is a permitted structure in any required yard or setback, pursuant to Section 5-1200. Table 5-1204(D)(7)(b) of the Ordinance states that *Historical Markers* are not regulated by the Ordinance. Article 8 of the Ordinance defines *Sign, Historical Markers*, as “Any sign or marker erected to identify a site, location, or landscape related to a person, structure, or event documented as historically significant at the local, state, or national level.”

Materials submitted by the Applicant show that the proposed signs will be used to identify and interpret an historic site. This meets the Ordinance definition of *Sign, Historical Markers*; therefore, there are no Zoning issues with this application.